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STATE OF WISCONSIN

BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE BOARD

IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

ANDALE REAL ESTATE INC., FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

RESPONDENT 99 REB 176

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The parties to this action for the purpose of Wis. Stats. sec. 227.53 are:

Andale Real Estate Inc., 1231 Broadway Street North Menomonie, WI 54751

Wisconsin Real Estate Board P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708

Department of Regulation and Licensing Division of Enforcement P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. **Andale Real Estate Inc.**, ("Andale"), is duly licensed in the state of Wisconsin as a real estate corporation having license #91 24314. This license was first granted to it on 9/08/80.
- 2. Andale's most recent address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing is 1231 North Broadway, Menomonie, WI 54751.
- 3. This investigation involves a complaint filed with the Division of Enforcement by Jodi A. Giroux relating to the failure of John A. Sobota, a broker employed by Andale, and at the time this matter took place a designated managing broker for the Baldwin branch office of Andale, to properly document the safe water testing required under a purchase contract drafted by him. This contract required Andale's client, Sue S. Tangen to provide to Giroux a written report from a qualified laboratory confirming that the well serving the Tangen property was supplying bacteriologically safe water.
- 4. John A. Sobota became aware of an UNSAFE level of bacteria in the well after receiving a written report from a licensed laboratory. Sobota allowed the closing of the transaction to take place after receiving a verbal statement from the seller that a second water test showed the water as being safe. Sobota never demanded a written laboratory report. In fact a second report showed the water as UNSAFE for human consumption and the well was required to be replaced after closing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. The Wisconsin Real Estate Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to sec. 452.14, Wis. Stats.
- 2. The Wisconsin Real Estate Board is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to sec. 227.44(5), Wis. Stats.
- 3. Respondent **ANDALE REAL ESTATE INC**., is subject to discipline by virtue of section 452.12(3)(a) of the Wisconsin Statutes.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the attached Stipulation is hereby accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, Respondent **ANDALE REAL ESTATE, INC.,** pay partial costs of this matter in the amount of \$300.00 within 30 days of the date of this order by making payment of the same to the Department of Regulation and Licensing, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that in the event Respondent **ANDALE REAL ESTATE, INC.,** fails to pay the \$300.00 costs within the time and in the manner as set forth above, then and in that event, and without further notice to the Respondent **ANDALE REAL ESTATE, INC.,** its real estate license shall be immediately suspended without further hearing and without further Order of the Board, and said suspension shall continue until the full amount of said costs have been paid to the Department of Regulation and Licensing and its failure to pay the costs shall be considered a violation of this Order by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, Respondent **ANDALE REAL ESTATE, INC.,** pay a **FORFEITURE** of \$1,000.00 within 30 days of the date of this order by making payment of the same to the Department of Regulation and Licensing, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that in the event Respondent **ANDALE REAL ESTATE, INC.,** fails to pay the \$1,000.00 forfeiture within the time and in the manner as set forth above, then and in that event, and without further notice to the Respondent **ANDALE REAL ESTATE, INC.,** its real estate broker's license shall be immediately suspended without further hearing and without further Order of the Board, and said suspension shall continue until the full amount of said forfeiture has been paid to the Department of Regulation and Licensing and its failure to pay the forfeiture shall be considered a violation of this Order by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that file 99 REB 176 be, and hereby is closed as to **ANDALE REAL ESTATE, INC**.

Dated this 24th day of May, 2000.

WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE BOARD

By:

James Imhoff, Jr.

A member of the Board